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To All Marine Worm Dealers in Maine:

The Town of Harpswell has recently been approved by the Maine Department of Marine Resources (DMR) to conduct a limited predator control study from July 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014, in a portion of Strawberry Creek, Harpswell, pursuant to the allowances specified in the LD 1452 Pilot Project Application. I am sending out written notification of the temporary closure of this area to all marine worm dealers in Maine, from a list of names and addresses which was provided by DMR.

The area to be closed in Strawberry Creek is roughly 14 acres. Please find enclosed a map and detailed text description of the site. This area will be closed to all harvest activity during the project period, while we investigate several options for predator control and natural spat enhancement. Please feel free to contact me anytime if you have any questions.

Regards,

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